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Town Officers Elected

For the Municipal Year 1887-8.

Selectmen.

DANIEL C. COTTON, HENRY R. JENKS,
WILLIAM ROCKWOOD.

Town Clerk.

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN.

Treasurer.

*JAMES M. FREEMAN, HENRY R. JENKS.

Assessors.

ASA A. FLETCHER, WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
SABIN HUBBARD.

Overseers of the Poor.

WARREN H. BRIGHT, GEORGE E. EMERSON,
SABIN HUBBARD.

Collector.

WILLIAM E. NASON.

School Committee.

SALMON W. SQUIRE, GEORGE B. DORR,
GEORGE KING.

Constables.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER, WILLIAM E. NASON,
TIMOTHY C. PACKARD.

Fence Viewers.

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN, JASON TOWER,
NATHAN C. NYE.

Field Drivers.

JAMES M. FREEMAN, HENRY EARLE,
LEWIS R. WHITAKER.

Auditor.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN.

Pound Keeper.

GEORGE B. PECK.

*Resigned

Appointees

For the Municipal Year 1887–8.

Engineers of the Fire Department.

GEORGE E. EMERSON, BRADLEY ROCKWOOD,
DAVID W. CORSON, LAWRENCE MORRISSEY,
FREDERICK A. ROGERS,

Auctioneers.

WILLIAM E. NASON, LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
HORACE S. MORSE, DAVID W. CORSON.

Surveyors of Lumber.

OTIS F. METCALF, WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
JOHN CANNEY, LUCIUS W. DANIELS,
FRANK W. SMITH, JOS. M. WHITING, 2nd.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD, JOSEPH WADSWORTH,
J. COLLINS JACOBS, HENRY R. JENKS,
HORACE S. MORSE, ALBERT H. HILL.

Measurers of Grain.

FRANK D. METCALF, WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
JOSEPH WADSWORTH, O. S. STETSON,

Weighers of Coal and Hay.

JOSEPH W. HEATON, WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
JOSEPH WADSWORTH, WILLIAM MANN,
J. COLLINS JACOBS, JOHN W. RICHARDSON,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN.

Board of Registration.

VINCENT LaFORME, NATHAN C. NYE, JAS. R. HAWKES,
CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN.

Night Police.

SILAS W. NICKERSON.

Special Policemen.

AARON R. MORSE, ALBERT W. NEWELL,
HUBBARD M. BULLOCK, WILLIAM H. HOWE,
CHARLES BADGER, J. W. RICHARDSON,
JOHN G. CUNNINGHAM, DAVID W. CORSON,
E. J. ROCKWOOD, ROBERT DAVIDSON,
STEPHEN C. TAFT, JOS. T. HUTCHINSON,
JOSEPH SMITH, C. S. MERRILL.

Report of the School Committee,

For the Year 1887–8.

We think the aim of our report should be not only to give the general and definite work of the year, and the results flowing therefrom, but also to add such thoughts and suggestions as we believe will conduce to the future prosperity and progress of our schools; and we would have it understood in the commencement of our report that we do not measure progress alone by the number of problems solved in Algebra, or in the felicity of expression in composition, but in every principle of every-day life that goes to make up the true man or woman. Is temperance a cardinal virtue, we would have this thought so impressed upon every scholar's mind that it should become a part of his being. Is faith in God necessary to man's highest earthly good, we impress the thought by reading daily a lesson from His word (without note or comment). Is prayer helpful to man in his efforts for trueness of life, our scholars are taught its importance by hearing, or joining with, the teacher every morning in that prayer of prayers taught by our Lord. We know it is quite common for clergymen of all denominations to speak of the common school as an irreligious institution. If by this expression they mean unsectarian we try to make the schools of Franklin irreligious, while at the same time we do try to cultivate a reverence for spiritual life, or divine things, by the daily reading of the Bible, and coming nearer to God in the use of what is called the Lord's Prayer. In brief, on this point, while we deny any and all creeds a place in our instructions, we take those of every faith and creed, hoping to add to their faith virtue, and that general intelligence and mental fitness which shall help them in every domain in life, whether in the material or spiritual.

These thoughts lead us naturally to the consideration of what is termed a new study in our schools: that is, Scientific Temperance Principles. We are sorry to believe, as a general rule, it is the most superficially taught of any of the studies in our schools. Not that our teachers are any of them averse to temperance; but the popular arguments, in times past, against the use of alcohol as a beverage in any form have been more exclusively confined to moral and physical results as seen upon the surface of men's lives, without entering into the real life (or, rather death) caused by it through the crucial of science. Therefore, scientific facts seem dull, and more beyond the comprehension of their pupils; so, in their love of temperance, and for their pupils, they will ask for something a little easier; for something a little more popular, that the child can understand. Just as though a long string of glittering generalities were of more worth to a child than a few scientific facts founded on the nature of alcohol and the constituent properties of the physical being called man. To illustrate: We might string together all the moral and physical evils visible and hurl them in one mighty avalanche against the moderate drinker's faith, that when he is weak and cold that a good dram of the ardent would make him both stronger and warmer. Doesn't he know. hasn't he tried it? Still, if he could lift the veil and let in the light of science and see the results of that dram upon the increased heart throbs, and the unnatural flow of the blood to the surface, he would know the end thereof was wasted strength and increased coldness. We ask, therefore, without regard to the number of pages a pupil may learn, or the number of oral lessons our teachers may be able to impress upon the minds of the younger pupils, that all shall be in the light of science as pertains to hygiene and physiology of the human body, with all its complexity of physical, mental and moral being.

Truancy, absenteeism, and certificates of age and school attendance. Perhaps, in the whole range of school duties and school supervision these three points cause more care and perplexity than all others combined. First, as to truancy: It would seem to the uninitiated that our school laws are suffi-

ciently definite and complete to meet every want that might possibly arise in this department of school supervision. But when we try the practical application of some of them, in the light of compulsory education for the truant, it is evident there is a failure somewhere, either in the law and its want of special instructions, or else in the judgment of those whose duty it is to carry out its provisions. Were we the only committee in the dark on this subject, we would concede that the beam was alone in our eyes; but when the majority of those having this matter in charge refuse to act at all, or tread lightly at least, for the want of more light. We can only meet this growing evil with the light and means placed in our hands for its suppression. But we do not believe our truant laws are the best we could have, especially if we are seeking the education of the truant. In brief, we do not think the town's almshouse the most suitable place that could be devised for the education and discipline of the truant child. We have, in two cases, applied this remedy, and unless we are very much deceived the result has been a decided check, throughout the town, of this common evil. With these results before us we shall probably take the same course in future cases of truancy till such time as the town shall unite with other towns in a petition to the County Commissioners for a more suitable place for these town and county offenders. We recommend the town to take this step at its earliest convenience.

Absenteeism. This evil has been one of the worst foes to steady progress in our schools with which we have had to contend. In times past we have plead with the scholar and parent, with every persuasive power at our command, to make school attendance a business when once enrolled as scholars. We have tried to portray the great advantages of constant attendance, and the evils resulting from an opposite course, as best we could; and yet we have found several families that were as deaf to our entreaties, and their own best interests, as we were liberal in our interpretation of the law of compulsory attendance. To illustrate: If a child had attended school 100 days within the year, even though he had been eight months in getting the required time, we let it pass without particular re-

gard to the regularity of that attendance; and some parents have had so little interest in the school life of their children as to allow them a week's vacation in the middle of a school term, for a visiting excursion, because they could make it up next term. In brief, the smallest excuse was sufficient to create another week's absence at any time. Therefore, the present year we have tried to live nearer to the letter of the law. That is, if a child had attended school 115 days and yet had been so irregularly as not to have made two terms of ten consecutive weeks each, we still demanded his attendance; first, because he had not complied with the letter of the law; secondly, because we believe ten weeks' regular attendance each, in two terms is better for the scholar than 25 weeks interspersed through three terms of 36 weeks duration. Believing that our course has been beneficial to all concerned we intend to pursue the even tenor of our way in this matter, not accepting in any instance anything short of the 20 full weeks.

The same rule has been applied to the granting of certificates in the last half of the year for mill and other purposes of labor, and will be continued till the proposed new law (which is more stringent) takes the place of the present.

We had thought of saying several things as pertaining to the certification of the age, and school attendance of the child, but want of space forbids. We will only say in conclusion that we feel compelled to ask of all strangers moving into town, and thinking they may desire at any time a certificate from the School Committee, to first obtain from the Town Clerk a record of the child's birth, or a baptismal certificate, and no child under 12 years of age will be furnished with a school certificate; and no child between the ages of 12 and 14 years, unless they have fully complied with statute limitations. There is a provision in the law of ten consecutive weeks attendance; that is, provided the terms of school are so arranged that they may do it. With our 12 weeks' system, if a child attends the whole term and eight full weeks in the following, without any break, we consider it the full equivalent under the proviso and grant a certificate.

We know these may seem small matters to many on which to spend so many words, but the use and abuse of the privileges we now have under the law is agitating the State from its center to its circumference, and it has spent thousands of dollars through a special committee in investigating the workings of the present law, and to devise some means to strengthen its weak points. This investigation may well repay its cost if it does nothing more than to arouse half-dead school officers to the faithful execution of the laws now given us.

We now turn our attention to improvements and repairs. We have added nothing by way of special improvement the present year, except the seating and furnishing of the Arlington Street Schoolhouse. We have painted the High School building, 'Latic Schoolhouse, and made general repairs throughout the town. The general condition of our houses is good; slight repairs needed on several, but nothing of a costly character, except the shingling of the house at South Franklin, and perhaps the 'Latic. We shall not need as large an appropriation for repairs as was granted for the present year. For new schoolhouses we have no recommendations to make; although we can not fail to see that our High School house, being one of the first built in all this section, suffers in comparison with the High School buildings of the surrounding towns, both in beauty of style and convenience. In every other department (except the Grammar School) we have ample accommodations for all. In calling your attention to the Grammar School, we must say, legally, we are bound to employ an assistant teacher; and more, that in the near future it will probably crowd the High School from its present seating to more pretentious surroundings which shall greet it through your good taste and liberal appropriations. The lower department houses, while not all in outward finish and form that the artist's eye would desire, are admirably adapted through location and comfort in their interior arrangements for the best possible progress of the pupils. Especially is this true of the two Nason Street houses and the Arlington Street house, if we abate a little difference of opinion in the location of the latter. However much we may differ in this

respect the difference is more than compensated in the fact that we are enabled to so grade our Primary Schools as to get the best possible results for the labor and money expended.

We turn, now, to school work in the schoolroom, and the results of our labors in this department of school supervision. We have made but one material change during the year, that in singing. The State requires that it shall be taught in our schools. Previous to this year we have done the best we could in this direction through the efforts of the teacher of the school; but no claim was made to scientific teaching except in the Unionville School. Here Mrs. E. K. Ray, for two or three years without fee or reward, has kindly taught the fundamentals, or elements of singing. The results of her teaching were such as to convince us that it would pay to have our singing reduced to a science. Acting upon that conviction we have engaged the services of Mrs. L. T. Hosmer as a special teacher of singing. Mrs. H. came to us well recommended, and so far as we are capable of judging, she has done and is still doing an excellent work. Like other studies it requires time, labor and money that time and labor must be deducted from the sum total allowed for all the studies. Yet, should your appropriations warrant us in so doing we shall continue the services of Mrs. Hosmer, or some one qualified to take her position. With this exception we have the same studies, and in the majority of cases, the same teachers as last year. Therefore, the only change that we could reasonably expect for the better would arise from the experience and closer observation of teachers and committee. In some respects we think there has been an improvement upon the preceding year. Still, we have met with some change in teachers. Long tried and valued teachers have resigned and we have been called to fill their places with younger material, or with us untried teachers. It is too soon yet to decide whether the new will make good the places of those who have left us. It takes time and a knowledge of the peculiar characteristics of teacher and scholar before they are prepared to do their best work. The same is true in the supervision of the school and teacher. All teachers are not cast in the same mould of thought and sensitive-

ness. The advice or criticism which would be an inspiration to the highest endeavor to some would produce in another only discouragement and mortification. To the one it is safe to confide your every thought of the good work he is doing and it will only stimulate to nobler efforts. To another of a different mould it would be like a cold bath to every aspiration except his vanity and self conceit. We are not fully prepared, therefore to say what will be the final result of these changes. We believe, however, that all are working for good results. We do not consider it necessary to the progress of our schools, or the better development of those having them in charge, that we make a public display through our report of the minutiæ personal in the teacher's methods or trials, unless they are new and worthy of general adoption, or so justly reprehensible as to deserve public condemnation. Therefore, we give only statistics with the assurance that had anything occurred in the administration of any teacher of unusual importance to the public it would be found in the statistical report of his or her school.

Our report of the respective schools will be based on the school year, instead of the fiscal. The school year has not closed yet, all contracts with teachers as to time and salary are settled, and we report in part prospectively:

HIGH SCHOOL.

The first term was taught by Mrs. M. A. Wiggin, assisted by Mrs. A. W. Jefferson. Length of school, 14 weeks. Salary of Principal, $100 per month; of Assistant, $36 per month. At the close of the term both Mrs. Wiggin and Mrs. Jefferson resigned, much to the regret of the Committee and School. The second and third terms taught by T. W. White, Principal, and Edna Bright, Assistant. Salary of Principal, after three months, $100 per month; for the first three, $90 per month; salary of Assistant, $36 per month. Length of second term, 12 weeks; of the third term, 14 weeks. Total, 40 weeks. Total teachers' wages, $1,330.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The first term was taught by Samuel W. Clark. Length of

term, 14 weeks. Salary, $60 per month. The second and third terms taught by Frances E. King. Length of the second term, 12 weeks; salary. $44 per month. Length of third term, 13 weeks; salary, $48 per month. Total, $498. Total, 39 weeks.

SUB-GRAMMAR, No. 1.

The first term was taught by Frances E. King. Length of term, 12 weeks; salary, $40 per month. Miss King was elected to the Grammar School, and Miss Martha E. Davis was elected to fill the vacancy caused through her promotion. The second and third terms taught by Martha E. Davis. Length of each term, 12 weeks. Salary, $40 per month. Total teachers' wages, $360. Total, 36 weeks.

SUB-GRAMMAR, No. 2.

Taught the entire year by Henry E. Ruggles. Length of school, three terms of 12 weeks each. Salary, $40 per month. Total, $360.

INTERMEDIATE, No. 1.

Ella G. Daniels, teacher for the year. It was divided into three terms of 12 weeks each. Length of school, 36 weeks. Salary, $40 per month. Total teacher's salary, $360.

INTERMEDIATE No. 2.

Emilie Albee has taught this school for the year, excepting three or four weeks' substituting by Mrs. Harris while Miss Albee was sick. The school has had three terms of 12 weeks each. Teacher's wages, $40 per month. Total salary, $360. Number of weeks, 36.

GRADED PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE.

This school is composed of the second class overflow scholars from the Intermediate Schools, and first-class Primary living south of the railroad. We are more than pleased with the advanced possibilities of progress afforded by this grade school, not for itself alone, but for the lower Primary. Teacher, Delia M. Bailey. It has had but two terms of 12 weeks each.

Salary, $36 per month. Total length of school, 24 weeks. Total wages of teacher, $216.

PRIMARY, No. 1.

Louisa A. Metcalf, Teacher. Three terms of 12 weeks each. Salary, $36 per month. Total salary, $324.

PRIMARY, No. 2.

Teacher, A. Daisy Dorr. Length of school, 36 weeks. Salary, $36 per month. Total, $324.

PRIMARY, No. 3.

Teacher, Susie E. Young. Length of school, $36 weeks. Salary, $36 per month. Total, $324.

PRIMARY, No. 4.

Teacher, Isabel M. Reilly. Length of school, 36 weeks. This school is made up of what is usually termed the first and second classes of Nos. 4 and 5, and is a good demonstration of the utility of grading Primary Schools, where density of population will permit. Salary, $36 per month. Total, $324.

PRIMARY, No. 5.

Nellie J. Cleary, Teacher. Length of school, 36 weeks. This school is composed of all the pupils in Nos. 4 and 5, under the grade of second class. By uniting like elements of the two schools in one, it gives the teacher nearly twice the opportunity to reach individual peculiarities that existed when all these grades were found in both schools. Salary, $36 per month. Total, $324.

PRIMARY, No. 6.

Teacher, Mary H. Blaisdell. Length of school, 36 weeks. This school, like No. 5, is composed of what are usually denominated infant, or lower, classes, reaching one grade higher than No. 5, to meet the grade in the graded Primary and Intermediate. Salary, $36 per month. Total, $324.

CITY MILLS SCHOOL.

Teacher of the first term, Julia A. Stockbridge. Length of term, 12 weeks. Salary, $32 per month. The second and third terms of 12 weeks each. Teacher, Hattie Gay. Salary, $32 per month. Total, $288.

POPULATIC SCHOOL.

Teacher for the first term, Wesley Selleck. Length of term, 12 weeks. Salary, $36 per month. The second and third terms, Henry M. Howard, Teacher. Salary of the second term, $34 per month; of the third term, $36 per month. Total, $318.

NORTHWEST SCHOOL.

Teacher of the first term, Delia M. Bailey. Length of term, 12 weeks. Salary, $32 per month. The second term was commenced by Miss Dodge. After a trial of six weeks she felt unequal to the work before her and resigned. We engaged Jennie B. Haslam to finish the term. Salary, $34 per month. Third term, Jennie B. Haslam, Teacher. Length of term, 12 weeks. Salary, $34 per month. Total, $310.

UNIONVILLE SCHOOL.

The first and second terms were taught by Mary E. Sawyer. At the close of the second term she resigned and Clara M. Craig was elected to the position. Length of school, 36 weeks. Salary of teacher, $36 per month. Total, $324.

SOUTH FRANKLIN.

Teacher, Ella G. Crooks, for the first term of 12 weeks. Salary, $32 per month. The second and third terms of 12 weeks each, Julia A. Stockbridge, Teacher. Total salary, $288.

MOUNT SCHOOL.

Teacher for the year, Mary J. Burr. Length of school, 36 weeks. Salary, $32 per month. Total, $288.

Teacher of singing, Mrs. L. T. Hosmer. Total salary, $168.

Teachers' wages for the current year, $7,214.

Care of Schoolhouses, $464.

Number of scholars between the ages of 5 and 15, on the 1st day of May, 930; between 8 and 14, 583.

For expenditures for the fiscal year we refer you to the Auditor's report.

Respectfully submitted.

S. W. SQUIRE,
GEO. B. DORR,
GEORGE KING,
School Committee.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

In accordance with the custom of former years we now present to you our annual report of the pauper department for the year 1887. While hoping to please all we realize that it is a very difficult task. One person, with large sympathy and a knowledge of but one side of the case, complains of the Board, charging them that they fail to perform their whole duty; while another, with an eye to the tax levy, charges them with an excess of liberality, and that the town funds are disbursed too generously, or to unworthy persons; but if our citizens generally would make personal investigation of reported cases or have an interview with some one of the Overseers of the Poor, they would obtain a much more correct idea of what ought to be done, or what had been done.

OUTSIDE POOR.

The total number of persons having applied for and received aid during the year is 98. Of these 38 have legal pauper settlements in other towns, and 33 were State paupers. The expense of the latter has been unusually large, owing to severe cases of sickness; as these occurred so near the last of the year many of the bills have not yet been collected, there being now due us from the State, $214.43.

ALMSHOUSE.

This department during the year has been under the management of Mr. and Mrs. George Peck, and we have every reason to be gratified at the excellent results of their management. The poor have been kindly cared for, and we find the clothing and bedding in most excellent order. The farm has not only

been managed with an eye to improvement, but has also been very profitable to the town. The buildings are in very good repair inside, but we strongly recommend a sufficient appropriation for shingling and painting the house, which ought to be done the coming season.

G. E. EMERSON,
W. H. BRIGHT,
SABIN HUBBARD,
Overseers of Poor.

INMATES AT ALMSHOUSE.

	AGE.	TIME.
George Daniels,	45	52 weeks
Levi L. Fisher,	78	52
Orin Adams,	77	52
Daniel Green,	82	52
James W. McPherson,	74	52
Charles A. Clark,	74	52
Pliny Cook,	86	52
Alonzo T. Eddy,	54	12
Wm. Chisom,	13	4
Delmer Sally,	13	4
		384 weeks

Amount of property appraised by Overseers, January 30, 1888, $2,338.20.

G. E. EMERSON,
Chairman Overseers of Poor.

Report of Engineers of Fire Department.

To the Voters of Franklin:

We would submit the following report: Loss by fire the past year has been very light, only one alarm, Sept. 5, 1887, for fire in small building in rear of G. S. Hosie's residence on Cottage Street; loss about $50. Fire department responded promptly.

Nov. 3. Fire in W. H. Gile & Co.'s clothing store, on Main Street; loss, $1,500. No alarm.

Dec. 28. Fire in house of Wm. Bonsall, on City Mills road; loss about $200. No alarm.

Your department consists of Chief and four Assistant Engineers, two Engine Companies, two Hose, and one Hook and Ladder Company. Your department is in good condition. We would recommend the purchase of more hose, also to shingle the engine houses, which will have to be done this year.

We have sold the old hook and ladder truck the past year. For other appropriations would refer you to recommendations of your Selectmen.

G. E. EMERSON, Chief.

L. J. MORRISY,
B. M. ROCKWOOD,
D. W. CORSON,
FRED. RODGERS,
Assistant Engineers.

Assessors' Report.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, MAY 1, 1887.

Assessed value of Personal Estate,	$466,040 00
" " Real Estate,	1,608,515 00
Total,	$2,074,555 00
Value of buildings taxed,	$994,790 00
" lands taxed,	613,725 00
Total,	$1,608,515 00

Number of acres of land taxed, 15,666 3-10.
" dwelling houses taxed, 728.
" horses taxed, 489.
" cows taxed, 631.
Total number of taxpayers, 1,489.
Number of male persons paying poll tax only, 644.
" female " " " " 3.
" persons paying tax on property, 842.
Rate of taxation, $14.40 on $1000.

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
A. A. FLETCHER,
SABIN HUBBARD,
Assessors of Franklin.

Report of Franklin Library Association

February 7, 1888.

The Library has been open two days of each week, except during the regular vacation in August, and the first week in January, when it was closed by order of the Selectmen.

The number of different persons who have taken out books during the year is 625.

Number of books drawn, 10,218.

The librarian has collected for fines, $21.20. Received from sale of catalogues and cards, $22.60. Total receipts, $43.80.

Number of volumes covered, 1178, at a cost of $23.56.

Only one volume was not accounted for on the examination of books in August.

There have been added to the library 129 new volumes; also, 30 volumes to replace worn out copies; 26 copies have been withdrawn as worthless, and 40 volumes rebound.

The library has received by donation: Official Register of the United States, 4 volumes. General Court of Massachusetts, 2 volumes. Reports and Documents, 3 volumes. Art and Industry from Board of Education; and Report of Commissioners of Education. Thirty-one volumes of Reports from Hon. Geo. F. Hoar; 4 volumes of Labor and Capital, from Hon. F. D. Ely; Celebration of Town of Dedham, from J. H. Tuttle; Trial of Thomas Piper, from Secretary of State. Total, 46 volumes.

Expenses of carrying on the Library for the year, $324.61.

Expended for books, $206.21.

WM. M. THAYER,
For the Association.

Special Police Report.

To the Selectmen of Franklin:

The Selectmen appointed me as special officer for the suppression of the illegal sale and traffic in intoxicating liquors in this town.

During the ten months I have served in the past fiscal year, I have worked independently according to the authority vested in me by the Selectmen.

While there had been much work done in the year previous, still there were many who were openly defying the laws and authorities of the town when I commenced work in April.

There have been sixty-eight search warrants sworn out and served, beside the warrants for the arrest and trial of the criminals themselves before the proper authorities. The prosecutions have been fairly successful.

The saloon of John Connelly, in the basement of Waite's block, on Depot Street, was looked over a number of times; strong beer and other evidences of illegal business were found, but he being willing to close up his saloon, and not to engage in illegal business in this town any more, prosecution was reserved.

A number of search warrants were served on Mary Clark, who occupied a tenement on Union Street; liquors were found but she promised to give up the business, and she was not prosecuted until late in the fall, when we found her selling again, and consequently prosecuted, when she gave bonds for appearance at court. She did not appear, but left the town and State, and her bondsmen to pay the charges. She is still away.

There have been a number of search warrants served on James W. Miller, who occupied a saloon at the corner of Cottage and Central Streets, but we have made but one seizure there this year, which was on June 11, when we found quite a quantity of lager beer hid under the floor of the building; he was prosecuted, and settled for the benefit of the county, paying $50 fine and costs.

During the year we have received numerous complaints from people living near Frank Phillips' place, near the Medway line, and have repeatedly raided his premises, and made three seizures from his premises within the year. We found, in June, in the woods in the rear of his house, one Sunday morning, about twenty-five bottles of lager beer, and three gallons of new rum in one jug and five bottles. When Phillips was wanted for illegal keeping of intoxicating liquor, he left his home and we were not able to secure him until the last of November, when he was tried and sentenced to four months in the House of Correction, but appealed his case to the December term of the Superior Court, was defaulted, and is now serving his original sentence of four months. There is one case he is to receive sentence on, tried in September, and one more case of illegal keeping to be prosecuted.

There was a seizure and confiscation of liquors from A. A. Darling, but owing to promises, and this being his first known offence to the officers, he was not prosecuted.

John Kelley, who lived in the second story of Heaton's house, on Emmons Street, was found doing an illegal business, and he was prosecuted on two counts, convicted and sentenced to serve seven months at hard labor in the House of Correction in the town of Dedham. He was committed July 5th and has recently been released.

On July 16th, Officer Nickerson and myself procured a search warrant for the premises occupied by Phillip McParland, on Cottage Street. On arriving at this saloon we found everything to all appearances as usual, and spent some time in looking the establishment over. We found, before we closed our search, a wooden tank secreted between the plastering and the boarding on the outside of the building, which held about

four gallons of whiskey. This tank was furnished with a rubber tube extending from the bottom through which the liquor was drawn. McParland was prosecuted for illegal keeping was convicted and fined $50 and costs, but appealed, was beaten at the Superior Court, and the case went to the Supreme Court on exceptions, but was returned for sentence, and the Court added three months at hard labor in the House of Correction in the town of Dedham, to his original fine and costs.

The Pond building on Cottage Street, formerly occupied by McParland, has been in possession of, and business carried on there, by one Phillip Byers, since about the first of October. Said Byers has been prosecuted on two counts for doing business on Sunday, was convicted, but appealed; he was also prosecuted for keeping a liquor nuisance, was adjudged guilty and fined $50 and costs and three months in the House of Correction, from which sentence he also appealed. The McParlands furnished Byers' bail. We have been searching this same building since the middle of January, this year, for intoxicating liquors, and proceeding against one William Brown who was indicted by the Grand Jury in December for the crime of perjury, was taken to jail on a capias and was bailed out by James and Phillip McParland.

This building on Cottage Street has been occupied by parties during all of the twenty months I have served in an official capacity, who are and have been bound to sell liquor in spite of all law, and when they cannot do it without, they peddle it by the drink from the pocket. This is a notorious place and has been raided as many as forty times within the two years.

The case of Patrick Collins was taken before the Grand Jury, and a bill found. He was indicted at the September term of the Superior Court, but was not tried until December, when the jury disagreed. Mr. Collins was confined in jail between courts and after trial in December would still have been kept there if bail had not been furnished; his case will come on again in April of this year.

I have received from the Treasurer for this branch of my work, from April 1, 1887, to February 1, 1888,		$500 00
Paid for services and expense of detectives,	$84 00	
for leaves and blanks,	40 25	
for services of self,	375 75	
		$500 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

AARON R. MORSE,
Special Police.

Town Appropriations for 1887.

For Support of Schools,	$7,800 00	
Repairs of Schoolhouses,	500 00	
Miscellaneous School Expenses,	600 00	
Purchase of School Books and School Supplies,	650 00	
Arlington Street Schoolhouse,	400 00	
		$9,950 00
Repairs of Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks,		5,000 00
Support of Poor,		3,000 00
Fire Department,	$2,000 00	
Purchase of Hose,	300 00	
Painting Engine House,	100 00	
		2,400 00
Water Supply for Hydrants,		2,700 00
Payment of Town Officers,		1,500 00
" Interest Account,		600 00
Abatement and Collection of Taxes,		500 00
Lighting Streets,		700 00
Franklin Library Association,		300 00
Printing and Stationery,		250 00
Miscellaneous Expenses,		2,000 00
Suppression of Liquor Traffic,		1 00
Soldiers' Aid,		400 00
Post 60, G. A. R., for Decoration Day,		100 00
Tree Planting,		50 00
Police Department,		600 00
Improvement of Common,		150 00
Total,		$30,201 00

Estimates for Current Expenses

FOR THE YEAR 1888.

The Selectmen, as required by Sec. 5 of Art. 1 of the By-Laws of Franklin, have prepared the following estimates for current expenses of the Town for the year 1888, and respectfully submit the same:

For Support of Schools,	$8,500 00	
Repairs of School Buildings,	400 00	
School Books and Supplies,	650 00	
Miscellaneous School Expenses,	500 00	
		$10,050 00
Repairs of Roads, Bridges and Walks,	4,500 00	
Support of Poor,	3,000 00	
Fire Department,	2,000 00	
Purchase of Hose,	300 00	
Repairs of Engine Houses,	100 00	
Water Supply for Hydrants,	3,000 00	
Town Officers,	1,800 00	
Interest Account,	700 00	
Abatement and Collection of Taxes,	800 00	
Street Lights,	2,000 00	
Printing and Stationery,	300 00	
Payment of Police,	1,200 00	
Soldiers' Aid,	450 00	
Franklin Library Association,	350 00	

For Post 60, G. A. R., for Decoration Day,	$100 00	
Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic,	600 00	
Miscellaneous Town Expenses,	1,000 00	
		22,200 00
Total,		$32,250 00

DANIEL C. COTTON,
HENRY R. JENKS,
WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

February 4, 1888.

James M. Freeman, Treasurer, in

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To cash in Treasury, Feb. 1, 1887,	$1,881	71
Cash received of Town of Bellingham,	26	58
Wm. E. Nason, Collector, taxes, 1885,	1,000	00
Interest on Lucretia Pond fund,	40	40
Overseers of Poor,	144	41
Benj. Franklin Savings Bank, temporary loans.	15,000	00
John Dolan, for support of Phillip Dolan,	42	25
Wm. E. Nason, Col., taxes, 1886,	400	00
R. H. Davison, use of Town Hall,	8	00
S. W. Squire. books, tuition and apples,	17	58
Licenses, billiards and pool,	8	00
" peddler,	10	00
" apothecary,	2	00
" theatre,	6	00
Commonwealth, support of pauper,	7	07
Crossings,	4	75
	$18,598	75

Account with Town of Franklin.

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By cash paid Teachers,	$3.412	00
School Books and supplies,	299	61
Fuel for Schools,	197	00
Care of Schoolrooms,	252	60
Repairs on Schoolhouses,	107	82
Miscellaneous School expenses,	606	78
Arlington Street Schoolhouse,	1,962	17
Roads, Bridges and Walks,	2,909	19
Fire Department,	1,697	80
Police,	324	70
Abatement of Taxes,	38	08
Almshouse,	450	71
Poor outside of Almshouse,	860	38
Printing and Stationery,	180	88
Military Aid,	354	00
State Aid,	244	00
Town Officers,	513	98
Street Lighting,	393	88
Interest,	410	83
Water Supply,	1,305	00
Franklin Library Association,	200	00
Grand Army Post,	100	00
Liquor prosecutions,	262	73
Improvement Society,	50	00
" Park and Common,	15	51
Miscellaneous expenses,	680	48
H. R. Jenks, Treasurer,	768	62
	$18,598	75

JAMES M. FREEMAN, Treasurer.

Franklin, July 31, 1887.

Henry R. Jenks, Treasurer, in

1887.	RECEIPTS.	
August 1, of James M. Freeman, balance in treasury,		$768 62
For use of settees,		4 00
Circus license,		5 00
Pedlers,		2 00
Pool table,		2 00
Oil barrels sold Gould & Co.,		32 17
87 gals. Oil sold A. R. Morse,		6 96
Grass on North Park sold Geo. King,		3 50
" South " " Elmer Thayer,		5 00
Hook and ladder truck sold town of Freetown,		150 00
Old hose sold,		5 80
Of Benj. Franklin Sav. Bank, on Town Notes,		5,000 00
Town of Norfolk, for Support of Pauper,		88 00
" Milford, " "		131 51
" Bellingham, " "		102 15
" Blackstone, " "		20 00
John Dolan, for support of Phillip Dolan,		43 47
Town Farm, for produce,		340 33
" " wood,		58 42
County Treasurer, dog money,		463 04
State Treasurer, Income of School Fund,		208 84
" " Corporation Tax,		3,392 21
" " National Bank Tax,		283 91
" " Military Aid, under chap. 252,		384 00
" " State " " " 301,		346 00
" for support of State Paupers,		109 82
" Burial " "		15 00
W. E. Nason, balance of 1885 taxes,		1,402 37
" " Interest on "		104 27
" " on taxes of 1886,		2,000 00
" " " 1887,		27,243 40
		$42,721 79

Account with Town of Franklin.

1887	EXPENDITURES.	
Teachers' Salaries,		$3,976 60
School Books and Supplies,		394 27
Janitors' Services,		212 80
Fuel for Schools,		471 53
Repairs of School Buildings,		344 49
Miscellaneous School Expenses,		293 54
Repairs and construction of Roads, Bridges and Walks,		1,992 27
Outside Pauper Expenses,		1,580 45
Support of Almshouse,		850 81
Expenses of Fire Department,		593 50
Street Lights,		727 70
Police Services,		321 00
Town Officers,		1,171 73
Printing and Stationery,		56 55
State, County and Bank Taxes,		5,033 60
Improvement of North Park,		104 67
Franklin Water Co., for supply,		1,305 00
Franklin Library Association,		200 00
Town Notes,		20,000 00
Interest,		127 19
Military Aid, under chap. 252,		378 00
State " " " 301,		240 00
Miscellaneous Town Expenses,		325 04
Abatements,		362 78
Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic,		364 40
		$42,427 92
Cash in Treasury,		1,293 87
		$42,721 79

HENRY J. JENKS, Treasurer.

FRANKLIN, Mass., Feb. 1, 1888.

Expenditures.

EDUCATIONAL.

PAYMENTS TO TEACHERS.

Paid Emilie Albee,	36	weeks,	$360 00
Delia M. Bailey,	36	"	308 00
Mary B. Blaisdell,	30	"	270 00
Edna Bright,	20	"	180 00
Mary J. Burr,	36	"	296 00
Samuel W. Clark,	22	"	330 00
Nellie J. Cleary,	40	"	360 00
Clara M. Craig,	3 2-5	"	30 60
Ella G. Crooks,	12	"	96 00
Ella G. Daniels,	39	"	390 00
Martha E. Davis,	20	"	200 00
Mattie Dodge,	6	"	51 00
A. Daisy Dorr,	38	"	342 00
Hattie A. Gay,	20	"	160 00
Jennie B. Haslam,	14	"	119 00
L. J. Hosmer,	4	"	84 00
M. H. Howard,	24	"	206 00
Mrs. A. W. Jefferson,	22	"	198 00
Isaac C. Jenks,	4	"	32 00
Mrs. Nellie M. Kelsey,	4	"	36 00
Frances E. King,	35	"	376 00
Louisa A. Metcalf,	40	"	360 00
Isabelle M. Reilly,	36	"	324 00
Henry E. Ruggles,	36	"	360 00
Mary C. Sawyer,	28	"	252 00
Wesley Selleck,	4	"	36 00

Paid Julia Stockbridge,	36	weeks,	$288 00
T. W. White,	20	"	470 00
Mrs. Mary A. Wiggin,	22	"	550 00
Susie E. Young,	36	"	324 00
Total,			$7,388 60

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Warren P. Adams, books,	as per bill,	$148 07
Adams & Ingraham,	"	1 90
D. Appleton & Co., books,	"	51 39
Boston School Supply Co., supplies,	"	76 50
E. H. Butler, books,	"	10 42
Clark & Maynard,	"	7 20
Ginn & Co., books,	"	22 93
E. C. Grover, anatomical study,	"	30 00
Harper Brothers, books,	"	83 58
George King, "	"	1 00
George S. Perry, supplies,	"	82 41
Prang Educational Co., books,	"	29 60
James F. Ray, supplies,	"	1 60
E. S. Ritchie & Son, supplies,	"	10 00
Henry E. Ruggles,	"	1 50
Carl Schœnhof, books,	"	7 00
Silver Rogers & Co.,	"	29 17
T. M. Turner & Co., supplies,	"	2 12
Wm. Ware & Co.,	"	32 13
M. R. Warren, supplies,	"	28 00
A. G. Whitcomb,	"	18 00
T. W. White,	"	2 49
Charles H. Whiting, supplies,	"	13 87
Mary A. Wiggin, books,	"	3 00
Total,		$693 88

PAYMENTS FOR FUEL.

Paid L. L. Blackington, sawing wood,	$10	00
A. J. Blake and P. B. Clark,	16	37
Charles W. Blake, cutting wood,	7	87
E. Blake, shavings,		10
Warren H. Bright, wood,	4	00
James W. Byrnes, wood and cutting,		75
George B. Colburn, shavings,	1	00
James Collins, cutting wood,		75
Frank Curry, "	3	00
Amos F. Daniels,	2	87
M. M. Daniels, wood and cutting,	7	19
T. J. Daniels, wood,	69	50
J. Desmond,	9	50
William Dorr, kindlings,		25
John Dunning, sawing wood,	7	87
C. H. Ford, "	1	75
Samuel E. Gay, "	14	70
A. J. Gilmore, wood and cutting,	40	79
George O. Guild, shavings,	1	00
J. W. Heaton, coal,	374	75
O. A. Howard, cutting wood,	5	25
Elmore Labadi, cutting wood,	1	75
William Mann, coal,	24	07
William McDonald, cutting wood,	7	00
Wilton A. Pond, wood,	21	75
Albert M. Richardson, shavings,		10
James Smith, "		10
John F. Stratton, cutting wood,	2	00
Dennis Sullivan, wood,	32	50
Total,	$668	53

CARE OF SCHOOLROOMS.

Paid E. Blake,	24	weeks,	$12 00
Frank M. Blake,	11	"	5 00
Carrie Butters,	12	"	4 80

Paid Henry Byrnes,	12 weeks,	$6 00
John W. Byrnes,	23 "	11 50
George E. Daniels,	35 "	17 50
Eddie J. Darling,	7 "	17 50
George M. Dorr,	35 "	17 50
William Dorr,	4 "	2 00
Mary E. Dunning,	12 "	6 00
Robert Ferguson,	23 "	11 50
Hugh F. Finneran,	12 "	6 00
Conrad H. Foster,	24 "	12 00
Hattie M. Gay,	12 "	4 80
Samuel E. Gay,	24 "	48 00
J. T. Hutchinson,	24 "	18 00
Albert M. Richardson,	11 "	4 40
James Smith,	11 "	4 40
Julia Stockbridge,	23 "	11 50
F. W. Stowers,	28 "	14 00
Joseph Titcomb,	45 "	225 00
Susie E. Young,	12 "	6 00
Total,		$465 40

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES.

Paid Anthony Conners, on High Schoolhouse,	$37 37
William Eyers, on yards,	4 50
S. M. Farnsworth, on High Schoolhouse,	84 82
J. G. Guild, setting posts,	88
J. T. Hutchinson, painting,	217 14
George King, flagging stones,	1 00
John T. Meek, on Northwest Schoolhouse,	2 00
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, on City Mills "	20 08
Peter McDonald, on Unionville "	72
A. W. Newell,	8 00
James Reilly, on yards,	11 85
Wm. S. Richardson, setting glass,	1 00
S. F. Sargent, on High and Arlington St.,	4 75

Paid O. A. Stanley, on High and City Mills,	$54 00
C. F. Stratton, on High,	1 20
John F. Stratton, on school fence,	3 00
Total,	$452 31

MISCELLANEOUS SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid Henry Bemis, repairing clocks, etc.,	$4 00
James W. Byrnes, moving stove,	50
James W. Clark, pipe Arlington St. Schoolhouse,	9 60
Nellie J. Cleary, rent of organ,	6 00
D. C. Cotton, sundries for all the schoolhouses,	228 63
Ellen Croxton, cleaning,	9 17
A. C. Dana, chemical supplies,	1 08
C. H. Eldridge, ladder,	1 50
James Follansbee, mason work,	4 65
F. D. Fuller, 12 curtains,	12 00
Susan Gallagher, cleaning,	7 67
Mrs. Oliver D. Gay, "	9 00
Samuel E. Gay, work on grounds,	2 50
W. H. Gile & Co., coat for H. E. Crowninshield,	6 50
Grand Rapids School Furniture Co., seats,	257 32
C. E. Griffin, express on books,	3 55
Hood & Mason, well, Nason street,	37 67
J. T. Hutchinson, cleaning,	50
H. W. Keach, repairing blackboards,	12 25
Elmore Labadi, cleaning houses,	4 25
A. H. Morse, use of hall,	12 00
A. R. Morse, truant officer,	37 00
George Murphy, labor,	1 00
Wm. E. Nason, well, Nason street,	35 63
A. W. Newell, truant officer,	16 00
N. Y. & N. E. Railroad Co., freight,	50 08
James O'Reilly, labor on grounds,	3 00
F. M. Osgood, carting furniture,	3 00

Paid Razee & Sanborn, expressing,		$3 90
Joseph Smith, cleaning stove and pipe,		75
S. W. Squire, making certificates, and work on grounds,		41 77
John F. Stratton, cleaning stove,		75
Edwin Trowbridge, rent of organs, etc.,		75 00
Elmer M. Wadsworth, cleaning clocks, etc.,		1 00
C. A. Wight, pail, soap, etc.,		1 10
Total,		$900 32

REPAIRS AND CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS.

Paid H. M. Stowers,	labor,	$771 44
John Lynch,	"	83 66
John Stewart,	"	363 61
William Keith,	"	399 75
John Cunningham,	"	71 91
James Holmes,	"	35 63
John Costello,	"	383 32
Stephen Maroney,	"	266 61
Phillip Reilly,	"	167 23
F. M. Osgood,	"	335 06
Michael Hart,	"	18 50
Alfonse Stone,	"	13 12
Charles Whitney,	"	105 29
Joseph Guild,	"	248 18
John Fitzgerald,	"	132 10
John Keefe,	"	64 41
Martin Kelly,	"	92 64
Lucius W. Daniels,	"	30 92
William Haggert,	"	2 62
John Murray,	"	14 87
Wilton A. Pond,	"	55 40
J. H. Ford,	"	32 35

Paid A. Mareau,	labor,	$25 65
James Sullivan,	"	6 00
H. A. Hill,	"	6 00
G. M. Wadsworth,	"	7 50
A. J. Newell,	"	7 32
John W. Richardson,	"	41 32
C. M. Choate,	"	4 37
Leonard B. Brown,	"	9 87
Thomas Sullivan,	"	1 75
Michael Doherty,	"	5 25
R. B. Bailey,	"	11 50
William Ware,	"	2 63
William A. Gurney,	"	12 36
Augustus Boucher,	"	102 00
Henry Thomas,	"	33 00
Adam Laundre,	"	7 50
A. F. McLean, repairs on harnesses,		19 86
Fred Rogers, blacksmith work,		34 58
J. W. Heaton, grain,		145 74
Munroe Morse, gravel and labor,		24 30
American Road Machine Co., repairs on scraper,		16 50
E. A. Mason, blacksmith work,		38 45
R. B. Stewart, repairs on carts,		21 00
F. M. Ballou & Co., concreting,		133 50
E. M. Pond, hay,		22 50
Geo. S. Hosie, gravel,		15 00
S. C. Taft, surveying,		13 60
James Hood, blacksmith work,		12 35
D. C. Cotton, tools and supplies,		293 12
J. W. Clark, drills and wedges,		1 00
A. J. Fitzpatrick, covering stone,		1 00
James O'Reilly, gravel,		10 00
Mrs. Waldo Daniels, 2 bound stones,		2 00
O. F. Metcalf & Son, grain and lumber,		124 32
Total,		$4,901 46

PAYMENTS FOR ALMSHOUSE.

Paid W. L. Enegren, supplies,	23 74
J. F. Lesure, boots, shoes, etc.,	6 15
Fred. A. Rogers, blacksmithing,	1 80
C. W. Clark, supplies,	3 24
Edmond Kelly, cutting 20 1-2 cords wood,	16 40
S. S. Sleeper & Co., supplies,	84 89
Olney Paine, salary, etc.,	130 66
J. T. Hutchinson,	3 62
Wm. Nelson, labor,	7 50
George B. Peck, salary, etc.,	342 50
Timothy Quigley, plastering,	14 00
Warren H. Bright, fertilizers, etc.,	93 75
Gaylord Warren, labor,	79 40
Miller Brothers, fish,	6 22
J. W. Heaton, supplies,	52 90
Howard W. Spurr, supplies,	41 96
Barden & Keep, supplies,	4 50
Simons, Hatch & Whitten, supplies,	13 07
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, grain,	132 28
C. M. Allen, use of bull,	1 50
Jordan, Marsh & Co., supplies,	3 50
R. B. Stewart & Co., repairs,	13 00
F. G. Wren, labor,	1 00
Alfred Clark, ice,	5 69
W. E. Scott, killing hogs,	2 50
Coburn & Whitman, clothing,	15 79
J. G. Cunningham, drawing corn,	6 00
A. H. Morse, 2 pigs,	6 00
N. Y. & N. E. Railroad Co., freight on oil,	30
F. D. Fuller, overalls,	50
George E. Emerson, supplies,	110 59
D. C. Cotton, supplies,	41 28
Batchelder & Gatchell, supplies,	9 90
T. M. Turner & Co., supplies,	25 39
	$1,301 52

PAYMENTS FOR POOR OUTSIDE THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Gaylord Warren,	$10 00
Overseers' order to Margaret Doherty,	48 00
Rachel Armstrong, for support of Clara White,	39 50
George E. Emerson, " John Soward,	3 68
" " " Mrs. White,	16 26
" " " Louisa Miller,	7 66
" " " A. D. Gay,	6 32
" " " Mrs. Carr,	14 88
" " " Henry Watkins,	15 00
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, for Phillip Dolan,	179 46
" " " Bridget McCue,	86 88
" " " Kate I. Newell,	78 47
" Asylum for Chronic Insane, for Robt. Ingraham,	199 45
" Asylum for Chronic Insane, for Abbie M. Blake,	177 15
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for Bridget McCue,	102 14
C. M. Maker, for support of Nancy Blake,	66 00
Patrick Feely, for support of Murphy children,	114 00
Taunton Lunatic Asylum, for Richard Collins,	150 84
Caleb T. Nye, for support of Cynthia Brown,	56 00
Adelaide M. Smith, rent, Mrs. John Carr,	36 00
Mary Tobin,	50 00
Thompson Clark, support of Mrs. Carr,	48 16
" " " J. Soward,	12 83
Nathan A. Daniels, 1 cord of wood for Mrs. Carr,	5 50
Town of Shrewsbury, aid to Kate I. Newell and child,	36 00
J. W. Heaton, rent and coal for Mary White,	8 25
" " L. Miller,	14 00
James M. Freeman, services to Overseers,	15 00
Mrs. Dugan,	37 50
James F. Ray, supplies for C. Sullivan,	82 00
Moses Perrin, " John Soward,	11 50

Paid A. Connors, supplies to tramps,	$7 20
Nancy Blake,	6 00
S. C. Bourne, supplies for J. Soward,	9 17
T. M. Turner & Co., supplies for K. White,	60 00
" " " J. Malloy,	12 24
" " " Mrs. Darrington,	8 00
" " " Mary White,	44 00
G. A. Martin, M. D., attendance upon J. Malloy,	23 50
" " " J. Soward,	76 50
" " " Ida Patterson,	20 00
" " " L. Miller,	59 00
H. S. Morse, supplies for J. Soward,	16 47
C. M. Allen, milk to Margaret Doherty,	6 85
Mrs. Kelley, supplies for Annie Cox and daughter,	42 00
A. G. Murray, " " "	22 00
A. F. Staples, " " "	6 96
A. D. Gay,	3 00
Peter George,	15 00
George A. Avery, support of Sophronia Ward,	18 90
Henry Bemis, burial of Anne Cox,	4 00
R. L. McPherson, funeral "	18 00
Mrs. J. Loyd,	2 00
Wiggin & Faunce, legal services,	5 00
Town of Marlboro, support of John Hart's family,	96 00
J. C. Gallison, attendance upon Sophronia Ward,	24 50
Warren H. Bright, moving Mary Dowington,	12 00
Camp & Co., supplies for Alex. Hill,	15 95
Wilton A. Pond, wood " "	10 00
H. M. Fuller, rent " "	12 00
Patrick Reynolds, cutting wood for L. Miller,	1 25
W. B. Roberts, funeral expenses of Betsy Whiting,	20 00
George King, attendance upon Sophronia Ward,	4 00
Charles H. Heaton, supplies for Mrs. Carr,	4 17
Jenks, Cotton & Co., " L. Miller,	16 74
—— Frye, care of D. Brown and H. Manchester,	10 00
Total,	$2,440 83

PAYMENTS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Fred. A. Rogers, wrenches, etc.,	$6 15
J. F. Ray, oil, etc.,	33
A. F. McLean, covering nozzle, etc.,	3 25
E. W. Sommers, 40 hours labor,	6 00
Hood & Mason, repairs, etc.,	16 75
J. G. Cunningham, horses on tub, etc.,	5 50
S. C. Taft, repairs, etc.,	4 20
C. M, Hurd, 37 hours labor,	5 55
Lucy Jones, storing engine,	15 00
Maurice J. Long, 94 1-2 hours labor,	15 90
Boston Woven Hose Co., hose. etc.,	343 00
P. J. Collins, labor on engine,	1 75
R. B. Stewart and men at fires,	13 50
T. J. Daniels, work on forest fires,	19 35
Henry Spence, painting two engine houses,	97 00
Wm. Rockwood, services as engineer,	12 00
John Reardon, cleaning engine,	1 50
Andrew J. Morse & Son, freight, etc.,	5 32
Joseph Smith, repairs on Engine No. 2,	1 00
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber and repairs,	13 41
R. L. McPherson, wall paper,	7 73
Henry Gordon, 1 day labor,	1 50
Andrew S. Jackson, washers, etc.,	3 75
Patrick Collins, 10 hours work on engine house,	2 00
George B. Coleman, setting poles, etc.,	35 00
Joseph W. Clark, labor on engine, 15 hours,	6 00
Patrick Reynolds, 4 days work,	7 00
Edwin Rogers, battery, bells, etc.,	48 12
D. C. Cotton, supplies,	13 09
A. C. Dana, arnica, etc.,	65
Geo. E. Emerson, Engineer, and other expenses,	24 00
D. W. Corson, "	12 00
L. E. Morrissey, "	12 00
137 Firemen,	1,314 00
W. E. Nason, collector, 109 firemen's poll taxes,	218 00
Total,	$2,291 30

PAYMENTS FOR STREET LIGHTING.

Paid D. C. Cotton, oil, burners, etc.,	$14 47
Electric Light Co., electric lights,	616 00
Gould & Co., oil,	56 61
James Mahon, oil and chimneys,	7 61
Aaron R. Morse, care of lights,	210 00
" " repairing lanterns, etc.,	80 00
N. Y. & N. E. Railroad Co., freight on oil,	4 92
R. B. Stewart, turning posts,	2 00
C. A. Stockbridge, lighting lamps,	105 21
T. M. Turner & Co., oil, etc.,	24 76
Total,	$1,121 58

PAYMENTS FOR POLICE SERVICES.

Paid Anthony Connors,	$103 00
A. R. Morse,	12 00
A. W. Newell,	8 50
S. W. Nickerson,	509 95
S. C. Taft,	12 25
Total,	$645 70

PAYMENTS TO TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Warren H. Bright, Overseer,	$65 00
D. C. Cotton, Selectman,	75 00
George B. Dorr, School Committee,	145 60
George E. Emerson, Overseer,	125 00
A. A. Fletcher, Assessor,	126 25
James M. Freeman, Treasurer,	75 00
C. E. Griffin, Registrar,	11 50
" " Town Clerk,	30 00

Paid James R. Hawkes, registrar,	$10 37
Sabin Hubbard, Assessor,	142 50
" " Overseer,	70 00
Henry R. Jenks, Selectman,	75 00
" " Treasurer,	50 00
" " Auditor, 1887,	50 00
" " Town Clerk,	10 00
George King, School Committee,	127 50
V. LaForme, Registrar,	10 75
A. R. Morse,	36 25
Nathan C. Nye, Registrar,	11 01
William Rockwood, Assessor,	125 60
" " Selectman,	75 00
S. W. Squire, School Committee,	238 38
Total,	$1,685 71

PAYMENTS FOR PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Paid A. C. Dana, stationery,	$4 60
J. W. Desmond, printing,	3 00
C. E. Griffin, printing,	3 00
Thomas Groom & Co., stationery,	6 00
Sentinel Publishing Co., printing,	203 25
M. R. Warren, stationery,	7 70
Woonsocket Patriot, printing,	3 50
J. M. Whittemore, stationery,	6 38
Total,	$237 43

PAYMENTS OF STATE, COUNTY AND BANK TAXES.

State Tax,	$2,520 00
County Tax,	1,139 95
National Bank Tax,	1,373 65
Total,	$5,033 60

PAYMENT FOR DECORATION DAY.

Paid G. A. R. Post 60,	$100 00

PAYMENTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF PARK AND COMMON.

Paid Geo. W. Hayward, 2 cords manure,	$15 51
Geo. S. Hosie, fertilizer, seed and labor,	99 42
John Fitzgerald, labor,	5 25
Total,	$120 18

PAYMENT FOR WATER SUPPLY.

Paid Franklin Water Co.,	$2,610 00

FRANKLIN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Paid Geo. W. Wiggin, Treasurer,		$400 00
Of appropriation, 1886,	$100 00	
" 1887,	300 00	
		$400 00

PAYMENTS OF TEMPORARY NOTES.

Paid Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank, for money borrowed in anticipation of taxes,	$20,000 00

PAYMENTS OF INTEREST.

Paid Benj. Franklin Savings Bank,	$458 02
A. A. Fletcher trustee,	80 00
Total,	$538 02

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Abatement, Silas Bullard,	tax of 1886,	$7 65
Annie E. Carroll,	" 1887,	1 44
Heirs of Thos Connelly,		4 90
Nelson Corbin, tax of 1886,		7 65
James A. Crowninshield,		7 65
John Farrell,	tax of 1887,	7 20
James Galvin,	" 1884,	2 00
Peter George,	" 1887,	2 00
Margaret Hopkins,	" "	5 04
George S. Hosie,	" "	1 08
Charles E. Johnson,	" "	2 45
Susan Lane,	" "	7 20
Jane Lloyd,		11 37
Mrs. Peter McManus,		14 16
T. D. Morse, tax of 1885,		23 75
E. C. Newcomb, tax of 1887,		2 00
Adaline A. Newell, "	"	2 16
S. W. Squire, "	"	2 88
Various persons, 126 in number, tax of 1885,		288 28
Total,		$400 86

PAYMENTS FOR SUPPRESSION OF ILLEGAL LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Paid C. H. Deans, counsel,	$83 00
A. R. Morse, services,	544 13
Total,	$627 13

IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

Paid C. W. Stewart, treasurer,	$50 00

ARLINGTON STREET SCHOOLHOUSE.

Paid Charles Corbin,	$4 15
Jeremiah Desmond,	115 00
R. K. Stevens,	1,832 77
S. C. Taft,	10 25
Total,	$1,962 17

PAYMENTS OF MILITARY AID.

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAP. 252, ACTS OF 1879.

Paid Pliny A. Holbrook,	$216 00
Marcus Gilmore,	144 00
Martin Hunt,	30 00
Joseph A. Day,	72 00
N. S. Grow,	72 00
Jeremiah D. Blake,	72 00
Geo. H. Greenwood,	72 00
Thomas H. Coville,	36 00
Francis V. Mann,	18 00
Total,	$732 00

PAYMENTS OF STATE AID.

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAP. 301, ACTS OF 1879.

Paid Anne E. Taft,	$48 00
Mary L. Osgood,	12 00
Daniel O. Corbin,	48 00
Bridget Maun,	48 00
Geo. W. Ballou,	48 00
Nathl. Ide,	48 00
Wm. Field,	72 00
Geo. W. Thompson,	36 00
Richard H. King,	48 00
Albert L. Jordan,	48 00
John M. Burr,	28 00
Total,	$484 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid James M. Freeman, taxes and costs, sale real estate Annie L. Smith,	$22	17
James M. Freeman, postage stamps,	3	25
Ellen Croxton, cleaning room,	1	10
Thomas G. Thain, damage on highway,	75	00
Fanny Hawes, " "	25	00
Nathan E. Darling, " "	60	00
S. W. Squire, " "	23	38
Ann M. Atwood, land damages,	75	00
Mrs. L. A. Capron, "	75	00
P. M. Blake, engineering,	106	08
Joseph G. Ray, rent room Town Officers,	75	00
J. H. Burdakin, recording deed of schoolhouse lot,		63
James M. Freeman, " Smith Estate,	1	00
J. G. Cunningham, teaming,	1	00
" " horse hire, selectmen,	3	00
L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants,	6	50
" " services under dog warrant,	10	00
R. H. Davison, care of Town Hall,	23	00
Dean Academy, gas,	1	80
E. L. Burdakin, making list of deeds for assessors,	15	00
J. H. Daniels, horse hire,	1	25
W. E. Averill, putting up window shades,		75
W. E. Averill, taking down window shades,		50
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, fuel for Town Officers,	12	75
C. E. Griffin, blank licenses,	6	23
Martin Hunt,	6	00
S. W. Squire, taking school census, etc.,	30	00
J. B. Fitzpatrick, return of deaths,	5	50
R. L. McPherson, " "	9	50
Clarence E. Griffin, return of births, marriages and deaths,	64	20
G. A. Martin, return of births,	6	50
James M. Freeman, insurance on almshouse,	20	40
James M. Freeman, insurance on furniture, etc., in Arlington Street Schoolhouse,	18	50

Paid James M. Freeman, insurance on Arlington St. and Pond St. Schoolhouses,	$56 10
Franklin National Bank, check book,	4 00
E. Joseph Harrison, mowing City Mills cemetery,	5 50
William Young, labor in cemetery,	3 00
Samuel E. Gay, " "	6 00
T. J. Daniels, posts for City Mills cemetery.	3 00
F. P. Guigon, painting guide boards,	16 55
Collector, tax on land of Annie L. Smith.	3 02
Patrick Hart, release of land,	25 00
Wiggin & Faunce, legal services,	10 00
F. P. Guigon, signboard,	1 18
C. E. Griffin, appearance before Railroad Commissioners,	7 50
D. C. Cotton, stove for Town Officers' room, etc..	38 63
Henry R. Jenks, guide board expenses,	10 00
J. W. Heaton, coal, town office,	10 75
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, liquor licenses.	50
Wm. Comey, fencing City Mills cemetery,	19 80
Total,	$1,005 52

ALMSHOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

Dr.

To personal property as appraised by Overseers, January 28, 1887,		$2,356 91
Interest on cost of Farm.		180 00
Cash paid from treasury during the year 1887,		1,254 73
Total,		$3,791 64

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By personal property appaised by the Overseers, January 31, 1888,	$2,338 20	
Cash sales at Farm,	551 81	
		$2,890 01
Ne cost at Almshouse,		901 63
Ne cash expenses outside poor,		1,802 05
Total pauper expenses,		$2,703 68

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

FEBRUARY 1, 1888.

Cash in the treasury,	$1,293 87	
Due from Commonwealth, for Military Aid paid under chapter 252,	393 00	
State Aid " " 301,	524 00	
State Paupers,	214 43	
From town of North Adams for support of paupers,	40 50	
Town of Oxford, do.,	27 95	
Town of Hopkinton, do.,	25 50	
On taxes of 1886,	2,486 43	
On taxes of 1887,	6,195 39	
		$11,201 07

LIABILITIES.

Two notes of $1,000 each due the Independent Order of Odd Fellows,	$2,000 00
Balance in favor of Town,	$9,201 07

DANIEL C. COTTON,
HENRY R. JENKS,
WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

HENRY R. JENKS, Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

For support of Schools:		
Appropriated,	$7,800 00	
Income from State School Fund,	208 84	
" dog licenses,	463 04	
" tuition, books, etc.,	17 58	
		8,489 46
Expended,		8,522 53
Overdrawn,		$33 07

School books and supplies:		
Appropriated,		$650 00
Expended,		693 88
Overdrawn,		$43 88
Repairs on schoolhouses:		
Appropriated,		$500 00
Expended,		452 32
Unexpended,		$47 68
Miscellaneous school expenses:		
Appropriated,		$600 00
Expended,		900 32
Overdrawn,		300 32
Arlington Street schoolhouse:		
Unexpended balance last year,	$1,600 00	
Appropriated, 1887,	400 00	
		2,000 00
Expended,		1,962 17
Unexpended,		$37 83
Roads, bridges and sidewalks:		
Appropriated,		$5,000 00
Expended,		4,901 46
Unexpended,		$98 54
Support of poor:		
Appropriated,	$3,000 00	
Receipts from state, towns and almshouse,	1,129 01	
		4,129 01
Expended,		3,742 35
Unexpended,		$386 66

Fire department:		
Appropriated,	$2,400 00	
Receipts for truck and hose,	155 80	
		2,555 80
Expended,		2,291 30
Unexpended,		$264 50
Police:		
Appropriated,		$600 00
Expended,		645 70
Overdrawn,		$45 70
Abatement and collection of taxes:		
Appropriated,		$500 00
Expended.		400 86
Unexpended,		$99 14
Military and State aid:		
Appropriated,	$400 00	
Receipts from State,	730 00	
		1,130 00
Expended,		1,216 00
Overdrawn,		$86 00
Printing and stationery:		
Appropriated,		$250 00
Expended,		237 43
Unexpended,		$12 57
Town Officers:		
Appropriated,		$1,500 00
Expended,		1,685 71
Overdrawn,		$185 71

Lighting streets:	
Appropriated,	$700 00
Expended,	1,121 58
Overdrawn,	$421 58
Interest:	
Appropriated,	$600 00
Expended,	538 02
Unexpended,	$61 98
Water supply:	
Appropriated,	$2,700 00
Expended,	2,610 00
Unexpended,	$90 00
Franklin Library Association:	
Appropriated,	$300 00
Expended of same,	300 00
Grand Army Post:	
Appropriated,	$100 00
Expended,	100 00
Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic:	
Appropriated,	$1 00
Expended,	627 13
Overdrawn,	$626 13
Franklin Improvement Society:	
Appropriated,	$50 00
Expended,	50 00
Improvement of Park and Common:	
Appropriated,	$150 00
Expended,	120 18
Unexpended,	$29 82

Miscellaneous Expenses:	
Appropriated,	$2,000 00
Expended,	1,005 52
Unexpended,	$994 48

LIST OF PROPERTY ON HAND IN ROAD DEPARTMENT.

3 Steel Bars, 60 lbs., 8c.,	$4 80
5 Picks,	5 00
2 Mattocks,	2 00
3 Stone Hammers,	4 00
2 Bush Hooks,	1 50
4 Scythes and Snaths,	4 00
2 Scoop Shovels,	1 50
10 Shovels,	2 50
4 Manure Forks,	2 00
1 Snow Shovel,	25
1 Evener,	1 50
1 Post Hole Spoon,	1 00
1 Street Hoe,	75
1 Grating,	2 00
1 Paving Mallet,	1 00
4 Rakes,	75
1 Paving Hammer,	1 50
1 Trowel,	75
3 Pails,	50
1 Carriage Jack,	2 00
1 Sodder,	2 00
1 Wheelbarrow,	1 00
1 Gravel Pit,	60 00
Stone,	4 00
1 Sled,	25 00
2 Neck Yokes,	2 00
4 Whiffletrees,	4 00
2 Feed Bags,	75
2 Head Stalls,	1 00

4 Blankets,	$5 00
Curry Combs and Brushes,	1 50
Broom, Shovel and Fork,	1 25
Grain, 8 bushels,	4 50
500 lbs. Hay,	5 00
1 Express Harness,	10 00
1 set Double Harness and Tip Cart Harness,	75 00
1 Plow,	6 00
1 Grindstone,	3 00
2 Gravel Screens,	14 00
1 Express Wagon,	15 00
2 Snow Plows,	25 00
1 Road Scraper,	75 00
1 Harrow,	15 00
1 Tip Cart, double,	150 00
2 Tip Carts, single,	100 00
2 Horses,	400 00
Total,	$1,044 30

Auditor's Report.

In accordance with the statute, I hereby report that I have examined the books, accounts, and vouchers, of the various officers of the town, and find them correct as set forth in the foregoing detailed statement.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN, Auditor.

Report of Town Clerk.

TO PARENTS AND HOUSEHOLDERS.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
FRANKLIN, February, 1888.

The attention of parents and householders is hereby called to the provisions of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts, with reference to the duty of their making returns of births and deaths which occur in their families.

"Parents shall give notice to the Clerk of their city or town, of the births and deaths of their children. Every householder shall give like notice of every birth or death happening in his house. The eldest person next of kin shall give such notice of the death of his kindred.

"Whoever neglects to give such notice for the space of six months after a birth or death shall forfeit a sum not exceeding five dollars."—*Public Statutes of Massachusetts, Chapter 32, Section 2.*

These returns should be made as promptly as possible, and in all cases on or *before* the first day of January of each year. The proper blanks for the purpose may be had *free* at the Clerk's office.

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN FRANKLIN IN 1887.

DATE.		NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Jan.	3	Lugi Americo Fiorani	Raphael and Santina Fiorani
"	4	Pearl L. Enegren	William L. and Sadie Enegren
"	4	Annie May Conlois	Napoleon and Alma Conlois
"	12	Elizabeth Burns	Clifford and Olive Burns
"	15	Florence Gertrude Bennett	Frank and Minnie Bennett
"	20	Catholeen O'Donnell	John and Mary O'Donnell
"	25	Frederick James Shaunessy	Michael and Katie Shaunessy
Feb.	1	William Skumski	Imen and Rosa Skumski
"	8	Sarah Costello	John and Mary Costello
"	11	——— Martin	Joseph H. and Bessie Martin
"	13	——— O'Connell	Michael and Grace O'Connell
"	22	——— Green	William and ————
"	26	——— Mc Cormick	James B. and Mary H.
Mar.	5	William Robert Keefe	John E. and Mary A. Keefe
"	6	Charles Lincoln Akley	Fred L. and Sarah Akley
"	8	——— Fitzpatrick	J. Bernard
"	17	Mary McHugh	Patrick and Bridget McHugh
April	2	Percy Clifton Redpath	Andrew and Euda V. Redpath
"	2	Emma Youso	Thomas and Rosa Youso
"	4	Leon Arthur Pond	Arthur A. and Annie L. Pond
"	5	Bessie F. Glazier	Joseph B. and Mary E. Glazier
"	7	William Bellville	Oscar and Philoman Bellville
"	7	Arthur Clarence Thayer	Elmer J. and Rosa R. Thayer
"	11	Anna Leland Kimball	Henry B. and Minnie Kimball
"	18	Robert Eugene Thayer	Addison M. and Gertie Thayer
"	25	George Patrick Ward	George and Ellen Ward
"	28	Cora Avery	George and Alice P. Avery
"	30	——— Brogan	James and Bridget Brogan
"	30	——— Sullivan	John and Kate Sullivan
May	4	Mary Agnes Dillon	James and Getta S. Dillon
"	6	Maggie May Williams	Patrick and Annie Williams
"	9	George Arnold Cunningham	J. C. and N. E. Cunningham
"	11	Herbert Rogers	Joseph and Johanna Rogers
"	16	Ada May G. Hurd	Calvin M. and Rebecca Hurd
"	19	Theodore Lamont	Mitchel and Salima Lamont
"	29	Leon Allen Sloper	Charles E. and Laura J. Sloper
"	31	Etta May Ballou	Edward P. and Emma E. Ballou
June	2	Myrtle Christina Demerritt	Henry and Katie Demerritt
"	3	James Francis Buckley	Daniel and Margaret Buckley
"	13	——— Conners	James H. and Jennie L. Conners
"	15	Carrie May Ingalls	C. H. and Elizabeth H. Ingalls
"	24	Alice Hildreth Fernald	Robert P. and Jennie F. Fernald
"	27	Frederick Joseph Gibson	George G. and Ruth A. Gibson
July	6	——— Russell	Christopher and Maria Russell
"	8	Dora Rau	Frank R. and Joanna Rau
"	10	——— Bellan	——— and Kate Bellan

Date.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
July 11	Carl Elsworth Crowninshield	W. and Emma Crowninshield
" 14	Stephen Francis Finnegan	Stephen and Rosa Finnegan
" 17	Henry Thomas Woolford	W. Frank and Agnes Woolford
" 18	James Arthur Davis	Ezekiel and Lizzie Ann Davis
" 18	Leon Webster Foster	Dean B. and Jane P. Foster
" 21	Mary T. Leonard	James and Mary T. Leonard
" 24	Gladys Evelyn Sharon	John B. and Laura Sharon
" 26	Frank H. Gilmore	Frank and Mary Gilmore
" 28	Gertie Jenkins Wilkes	H. S. and Delia F. Wilkes
Aug. 13	Gertrude Ann Neeland	Thomas and Mary Neeland
" 20	Carrie Agnes Hunter	Martin and Mary A. Hunter
" 22	JohnLeonard	James and Mary Leonard
" 28	CecilLeverett Gratten	Geo. S. and Christie Gratten
Sept. 1	George Edward Baro	Clement and Emma Baro
" 5	James Arthur Keefe	George and Annie Keefe
" 19	——— Reno	Albert and Mary E. Reno
" 24	Inez Laura Campbell	Chas. and Geo. Etta Campbell
Sept. 27	Lizzie Butler	Manuel and Mary Ann Butler
" 28	Nellie Francis Berbeau	George and Cordelia Berbeau
" 29	Myrle Markham	C. B. and Bessie D. Markham
" 29	John Henry James	John H, and Ellen M. James
Oct. 3	William Perren	Frederick and Sarah E. Perren
" 6	Harvey Campbell Hatch	John D. and Annie G. Hatch
" 9	Myra Edith Mellen	Wm. E. and S. Maria Mellen
" 11	Hattie Clara Neil	Frank and Hattie F. Neil
" 12	John Conlon	Matthew and Kate Conlon
" 24	Ralph Leroy Choate	Chas. M. and Maria L. Choate
" 26	Frank Edward Maronney	Steph. and Margaret Maronney
" 29	Edmund Charlton Linton	Wm. and Matilda Linton
Nov. 3	Chester Harold Corbin	Chas. and Evelyn Corbin
" 6	Lottie Ella Hill	Alex. E. and Annie E. Hill
" 15	——— Nishani	Thomas and Mary Nishani
" 26	——— Finneran	Timothy and Mary Finneran
" 28	Charles Edward Hutchinson	J. D. and Jennie E. Hutchinson
Dec. 8	Charles Henry Galeney	——— and Jennie Galeney
" 16	——— Watkins	Henry and Ida E. Watkins
" 16	Fred William Anderson	Axel and Whilemina Anderson
" 18	Mary Evelyn Woodward	C. H. and Eva Woodward
" 21	Bennie Zyden	William and Sarah Zyden
" 22	Frederick Thomas Holmes	James and Mary A. Holmes
" 26	Charles Hunt Sears	Orin and Annie L. Sears
" 30	Oliver George Perron	Oliver and Lena Perron
" 30	Allan Austin Jefferson	Austin W. and Emma Jefferson
1886.		
July 10	Catherine Morrissey	L. E. and Hannah Morrissey
Dec. 7	Edward James Ledbury	John and Maria Ledbury

Males, 55; Females, 36; Total number, 91.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN FRANKLIN IN 1887.

Date.	Names of Parties.	Age.	Names of Parents.
Jan. 10	Stephen H. Sullivan	27	Michael and Margaret Sullivan
	Mary Coleman	23	Michael and Bridget Coleman
" 27	Andy Gay	25	Antonio and Mary Gay
	Jennie Morse	19	Edwin A. and Francis Morse
" 27	James McMurtrie	25	John and Margaret McMurtrie
	Abbie Howard	27	Apollos E. and Caroline M. Howard
" 28	James Dillon	30	Thomas and Mary Dillon
	Getta S. Pray	22	Aaron W. and Martha A. Pray
Feb. 2	Clarence Quilter	24	William and Lucinda Quilter
	Jennie Shea	23	Matthew and Ruth Shea
" 22	Eugene F. Cole	30	Grenville and Caroline Cole
	Margaret F. Blanchard	20	Francis and Mary Blanchard
" 24	Daniel F. Wing	26	Daniel R. and Ann B. Wing
	Sadie P. Taylor	20	Otis and Harriet Taylor
" 28	John D. Hutchinson	20	Joseph T. and Mary D. Hutchinson
	Jennie Hood	19	James and Agnes Hood
" 28	George W. Austin	27	Peleg and Hannah Austin
	Jennie A. Briggs	28	Joseph B. and Abbie J. Wardell
Mar. 8	Daniel Buckley	24	Daniel and Julia Buckley
	Maggie A. Connors	20	Patrick and Margaret Connors
" 12	Loring B. Edgerly	59	Jacob and Mary Edgerly
	Mary Preston	39	Charles and Ann Ridduch
" 16	Charles B. Hubbard	29	James C. and Charlotte Hubbard
	Estelia M. Paine	26	Adin B. and Cynthia L. Paine
" 29	Chas. J. Nugent	18	John and Alice Nugent
	Christina Wescott	19	Uriah and Lydia Wescott
April 8	George E Bowers	35	Enoch and Joanna Bowers
	Mary Anna Gould	38	Amos and Rhoda Wales
" 20	Arthur A. Dean	19	Chas. I. and Adelaide C. Dean
	Nellie A. Fales	20	Charles L. and Abbie C. Fales
" 24	Richard Unsworth	27	David and Mary Unsworth
	Delia Cremar	22	John and Delia Cremar
" 24	Daniel F. Connolly	21	Patrick and Mary Connolly
	Annie McGarity	19	Andrew and Ellen McGarity
" 24	Daniel Biggs	47	James and Margaret Biggs
	Sarah B. Clifford	47	William H. and Mary C. Davis
" 27	Edward J. Leary	25	Edward and Mary Leary
	Mary E. Tiffany	19	James and Mary Tiffany
May 1	Peter Smith	28	Michael and Margaret Smith
	Bridget Sullivan	27	Michael and Johanna Sullivan

Date.	Names of Parties.	Age.	Names of Parents.
May 3	Leon H Prance	38	John and Phebe Prance
	Rosie E Clark	23	Isaiah M and Philena S Clark
" 11	Walter A Snow	23	Homer V and Harriet A Snow
	Melvina A Hawkins	17	Elmer A and Mary E Hawkins
June 1	Aurelius Dyer	38	William O and Asenath Dyer
	Christina Murphy	28	David and Mary Murphy
" 15	Charles W Hill	27	William and Susan Hill
	Hattie A Aldrich	24	Alvah and Amy Aldrich
" 22	Edward B Sherman	20	Edward H and Clara H Sherman
	Eva Mabel Chilson	21	James O and Melansa G Chilson
" 22	Albert Barton Daniels	34	Joseph H and Sarah S Daniels
	Mary E McConkey	28	Alexander and Hannah D McConkey
" 23	Frederick W Voelker	28	Frederick A and Eva M Voelker
	Hattie S Wood	23	Joseph M and Angelina A Wood
" 30	Jedutham Richardson	71	Thomas and Rebecca Richardson
	Lydia A Harris	41	Daniel P and Lydia A Whiting
" 30	Bradley M Rockwood	25	William and Laura M Rockwood
	Alice I Bowers	19	John W and Emily R Bowers
" 30	Arthur Page Sharp	29	Henry and Eliza W Sharp
	May Louise Harris	21	Joseph and Lou May Harris
July 3	Frederick A Cole	17	George and Adelaide Cole
	Lucy E Baxter	15	Elbridge C and Lucy E Baxter
" 17	William G Furgeson	23	James and Ellen M Furgeson
	Blanche Ford	18	James and Ellen E Ford
Aug. 3	William Patterson	26	William and Elizabeth Patterson
	Agnes I Dobson	25	John and Agnes Dobson
" 10	Adelbert Wales	28	William and Julia A Wales
	Lizzie Hutchinson	26	Archibald and Mary Hutchinson
" 27	James Thomas Potter	27	Henry W and Catherine Potter
	Rebecca Greenup	30	Isaac and Jane Greenup
Sept. 6	Charles E Hudson	20	Henry and Hannah A Hudson
	Ella Stewart Onslow	20	James H and Mary A Onslow
" 24	Edward B Martin	22	James and Bridget Martin
	Florence J Wilmot	19	Charles H and Susan E Wilmot
" 27	Luke A. Cherrier	27	Francis and Julianna Cherrier
	Lucinda A Pineo	22	Otis and Annie Pineo
" 28	Harry E Batchelor	32	Josiah W and Almira Batchelor
	Nellie C Darling	21	Mayo C and Lucy A Darling
Oct. 1	Lemuel M Pierce	21	Joseph and Elizabeth Pierce
	Alberta S. Caldwell	25	Jonathan E and Harriet M Caldwell

Date.	Names of Parties.	Age.	Names of Parents.
Oct. 2	Timothy E Feeley	22	Patrick and Hannah Feeley
	Lenna Danna	25	Jacob and Mary Danna
" 2	Henry W Granger	28	Edward and Catherine Granger
	Bridget O'Neil	20	Thomas and Bridget O'Neil
" 11	Frederick Chas Reid	23	George and Matilda J Reid
	M'tildaHollingsworth	20	David and Susan H Hollingsworth
" 15	Henry Webster Green	31	Henry M and Margaret M Greene
	Mattie Louise Snow	25	Homer V and Hattie A Snow
" 25	George M Power	24	Ephraim and Sarah Power
	Blanche L Sheldon	17	John and Caroline Sheldon
" 26	Michael Jos Ahearn	39	Timothy and Mary Ann Ahearn
	Abigail S Gunning	30	Alfred J and Mary Gunning
Nov. 3	T William Halloran	28	Timothy and Johanna Halloran
	Mary A Smith	27	Phillip A and Abbie Smith
" 9	Alexander M Haggert	32	Alexander and Annie Haggart
	Martha Jane Borgal	27	Simon A and Mary J Borgal
" 20	Maxian Tero	21	Maxian and Mary Tero
	Mary Ann Pettis	23	John and Maria Pettis
" 21	Joseph M Supple	20	William R and Ellen Supple
	Emma J Chamberlin	18	Antoine and Mary Chamberlain
" 23	Charles Richardson	24	Henry and Harriet Richardson
	Bertha J Warren	22	Nathan and Catherine Warren
" 23	Ellis L Lincoln	31	William C and Mahala Lincoln
	Lillian J. Maxin	17	Orin and Mary Maxin
" 27	Michael Lacey	39	Lawrence and Catherine Lacey
	Anna Braslin	26	Michael and Sarah Braslin
Dec. 5	George B Coleman	24	I B and Katie B Coleman
	Maria F Vanhorne	19	Alford F and Mary F Vanhorne
" 17	John W Bowers	58	John and Nancy Bowers
	Margaret Archibald	26	Samuel and Susan P Archibald
" 30	Charles H Bishop	22	John and Elizabeth Bishop
	Mary J O'Brien	20	Patrick and Mary O'Brien
" 31	Melvin W McFaden	26	Robert and Sarah McFaden
	Nettie Miller	20	George and Louisa Miller
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Oct. 13	Clarence E Griffin	33	Enoch and Irene Griffin
	Addie A Crosby	23	William and Jane Crosby

DEATHS RECORDED IN FRANKLIN IN 1887.

DATE.	NAME OF PERSON.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	AGE Y.	M.	D
January 2	Henry E Watkins	Acute laryngitis	16	2	17
" 3	Jonah Picket	——	1	4	—
" 3	Patrick Kenny	Asphyxia	46	—	—
" 12	Lottie E Watkins	Acute laryngitis	7	3	15
" 15	David Parker Baker	Paralysis	69	7	6
" 17	Charles G Dean	Black measles	16	9	12
" 28	Nancy M Blake	Apoplexy	61	11	—
February 6	Rasalvo A Reed	Phthisis	48	4	—
" 10	Mabel May McDougall	Congestion of lungs	—	11	6
" 13	——O'Connell	Stillborn	—	—	—
" 18	Betsey R Gilmore	Phthisis	57	3	—
" 18	Patrick Lynch	Consumption	73	4	—
" 26	Anna Morrissey	Typhoid fever	10	7	—
March 3	Clara P Hill	Injury to liver	68	1	—
" 3	Annie M Demerritt	Cerebro-spinal-meningitis	1	7	1
" 8	Anna T Thain	Apoplexy	49	8	—
" 8	Harriet E Pond	Nervous exhaustion	37	—	—
" 16	Frank A Richards	Measles	—	7	—
" 19	Georgianna Burns	Diphtheritic laryngitis	4	—	19
" 19	William D Chisholm	Hemoptysis	60	—	—
" 31	Meheta B Brown	Carbuncle	56	7	—
April 10	George E Cody	Phthisis	21	8	10
" 15	Charles S Quinn	Pluritis	38	—	—
" 16	Mary Connolly	Old age	97	—	—
" 22	Lucy W Cole	Heart disease	83	8	—
" 29	Ella W Sargent	Phthisis pulmonalis	16	4	—
May 1	Ann Murphy	Hypertrophy	66	—	—
" 2	Patrick Riley	Railroad accident	—	—	—
" 20	James G Fuller	Bright's disease	74	—	—
" 23	Alvin T Merryfield	Heart disease	68	4	—
" 30	Goldsbury Pond	Cystis	89	5	3
June 13	Mary A Nye	Heart disease	32	10	7
" 16	Marilla A Ross	Cerebral tumor	9	1	—
" 25	Ada M Spence	Brain fever	6	7	14
" 27	Abbie C Richards	Pernicious anemia	74	8	—
July 7	Evylin A O Clark	Cancer	41	10	—
" 21	Alphonsus Byron	Scrofula	16	6	—
" 22	Herbert Rogers	Cholera Infantum	—	2	11
" 25	Pearl L Enegren	Diarrhœa	—	6	20
" 25	Edward J Ledbury	Dysentery	—	8	—
August 3	Annie J Desmond	Epilepsy	25	11	—
" 12	John Reardon	Cancer of pilorus	65	—	—
" 17	Charles M Cunningham	Carbuncle	49	11	—
" 20	L Barton Wilcox	Heart disease	6	6	12
" 21	——Lester	Premature birth	—	—	1
" 26	Carrie A Hunter	Marasmus and diarrhœa	1	—	6
September 5	Annie R Cox	Typhoid fever	37	3	—
" 7	Willard C Whiting	Phthisis	72	—	—
" 7	Lillian May McConkey	Cholera infantum	—	8	20
" 12	Hiram E Briggs	Gastro-enteritis	64	11	10
" 13	Alfred Clark	Typhoid fever	68	1	25
" 15	Hugh Quinn	Consumption	40	—	—
" 18	Leon Webster Foster	Cholera Infantum	—	2	—
" 21	Albert Early Daniels	Acute bronchitis	84	11	25
" 24	Abigail R Williams	Senile debility	86	9	—
" 29	Mary Gordon	Measles	22	6	2
" 30	Thomas D Morse	Disease of brain	62	11	—
October 1	Lillian Morrissey	Marasmus	—	9	8
" 8	Clara A Perkins	Asthma and Emphysema	38	10	—
" 12	Katherine F Staples	Consumption	15	7	22
" 22	Michael Joseph Smith	Unknown (natural)	30	6	—
" 24	Mary Agnes Dillon	Congestion of brain	—	5	20
" 28	William H Gould	Diabetes	22	1	28
November 3	Julia K Stockbridge	Cancer	53	1	1
" 7	Harriet B Adams	Phthisis	79	11	27
" 16	Mary A Hill	Consumption	27	—	26
" 27	Sarah McGroary	Heart disease	22	—	—

Date.	Name of Name.	Cause of Death.	Age.		
			Y.	M.	D
December 5	Stephen S Foster	Acute meningitis	6	11	—
" 19	Mamie McHugh	Scarlet fever	5	5	11
" 23	Frank H Gilmore	Croup	—	5	—
" 23	Jesse Linton	Congestion of lungs	3	—	—
" 24	Ada May G Hurd	Scarlet fever	—	7	8
" 25	Matilda Wadman	Heart disease	70	—	—
" 26	Daisy May McFaden	Scarlet fever	4	6	16
" 26	Walter Hutchinson	Scarlet fever	4	7	—

Males, 33 ; Females, 42 ; Total number, 75.

Average duration of life, 33 years, 3 months, 27 days.

Warrants and Proceedings

OF TOWN MEETINGS FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1888.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF FRANLIN, GREETING:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the qualified voters of said town to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of March, next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To hear a report of the settlement with the treasurer, and act thereon.

Art. 3. To hear a report of the collector of taxes, and act thereon.

Art. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 5. To see what sums of money the town will grant the current year for the support of the schools, repairs of school houses, for miscellaneous school expenses, for the purchase of school books and supplies, for the support of the poor, repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks, for support of fire department, for the purchase of hose, for water supply of hydrants, for payment of town officers, interest account, and for abatement and collection of taxes, and for lighting streets, for defraying the expenses of the Franklin Library Association, and for printing and stationery, and miscellaneous expenses.

Art. 6. To see in what way and manner the town will collect its taxes for the current year.

Art. 7. To see in what way and manner the town will repair its roads, bridges and sidewalks the current year.

Art. 8. To see what action the town will take relative to a pound.

Art. 9. To hear a report from the selectmen respecting guide boards.

Art. 10. To see if the town will grant any and what sum of money to Franklin Post No. 60, G. A. R., for decorating soldiers' graves on Memorial Day.

Art. 11. To see if the town will restrain neat cattle, horses, mules, and swine from running at large the year ensuing.

Art. 12. To see what compensation the town will pay the engineers of the fire department and members of the fire, hose and hook and ladder companies the current year.

Art. 13. To hear the report of the engineers of the fire department, and act thereon.

Art. 14. To vote the names of a suitable number of persons into the jury box for the current year.

Art. 15. To vote by ballot, "Yes," or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Art. 16. To see if the town will authorize their treasurer, under the direction of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for tree planting.

Art. 18. To see what action the town will take relative to a police force, and grant a sufficient sum of money to pay the same.

Art. 19. To hear the report of the selectmen in laying out the extension of Queen street to Pleasant street, and act thereon.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to build a new Town House, or act or do anything relating to the same.

Art. 21. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the improvement of the Common.

Art. 22. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the draining of Central street between the house of Nelson Corbin and the four corners, so-called.

Art. 23. To hear the reports of committees appointed at prior town meetings.

Art. 24. To see what action the town will take, if any, in regard to purchasing the Franklin Water Works.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to expend, in such way and manner as they may deem most judicious, for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin for the year ensuing; so much of said money as may be expended, to be taken from the unexpended balance of last year's appropriation for the same purpose.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-seven.

DANIEL C. COTTON,
JAMES M. FREEMAN,
WILLIAM F. RAY,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. February 26, A. D., 1887.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of March, A. D. 1887, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices of the town and in ten other public places seven days before the day of meeting in compliance with Sec. two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of the Town of Franklin.

A true copy of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING,
March 7, 1887.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the town of Franklin met in their Town Hall on the seventh day of March, A. D. 1887, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and proceeded as follows:

The meeting was called to order by Daniel C. Cotton, chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

The warrant was read by William F. Ray, one of the Selectmen.

CLERK PRO TEMPORE.

There being a vacancy in the office of Town Clerk, the Selectmen called upon the qualified voters present to elect a Clerk pro tempore, and said Selectmen using the check list, received, sorted and counted the ballots and declared the election of Clarence E. Griffin as such Clerk, and he was sworn by James M. Freeman, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace.

MODERATOR.

Art. 1. The meeting then made choice, by ballot, the check list being used, of William F. Ray, for Moderator, and he was sworn by James M. Freeman, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Art. 2. It was then voted that the report of the Treasurer, as set forth in the published town report for the current year, be accepted.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Art. 3. It was then voted that the report of the Collector, as set forth in the published town report for the current year, be accepted.

Voted, That Article 15 be voted and acted upon at the same time with Article 4.

Voted, That the polls be kept open till two o'clock p. m.

Voted, That when this meeting adjourns we adjourn to Monday, March 14, at one o'clock p. m.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Art. 4. The meeting then made choice by ballot of the following named Town Officers, the check list being used:

The polls were opened at 9.45 o'clock a. m., and in accordance with the vote of the meeting the polls were declared closed at 2 o'clock p. m.

SELECTMEN.

Henry R. Jenks, William Rockwood, Daniel C. Cotton, and they were sworn by Clarence E. Griffin, Justice of the Peace.

TOWN CLERK.

Clarence E. Griffin, and he was sworn by George W. Wiggin, Justice of the Peace.

TREASURER.

James M. Freeman, and he was sworn by the Clerk.

AUDITOR.

George W. Wiggin.

ASSESSORS.

Asa A. Fletcher, William Rockwood, Sabin Hubbard, and they were sworn by the Clerk.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Warren H. Bright, George E. Emerson, Sabin Hubbard.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

William E. Nason.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.

George King.

CONSTABLES.

Lewis R. Whitaker, William E. Nason, T. C. Packard.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Clarence E. Griffin, Jason Tower, Nathan C. Nye.

LICENSE.

Art. 15. Upon the question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" the vote being

taken by ballot, and the check list used, two hundred and twenty-three (223) persons voted "yes," and two hundred and thirteen (213) persons voted "no."

SUPPRESSION OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Voted, That Article 25 be now taken up.

Voted, That we grant the sum of one dollar for the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin for the ensuing year.

Moved and seconded that the above vote be reconsidered. The motion was decided in the negative.

ROADS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS.

Voted, That we take up Article 7 now.

Art. 7. Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to hire one road master, he to hire his own help at $1.75 per day.

G. A. R. POST NO. 60.

Voted, To take up Article 10.

Art. 10. Voted, That the town grant the G. A. R. Post, No. 60, the sum of $100 for Memorial Day, any balance unexpended to go into the charity fund.

QUEEN STREET EXTENSION.

Voted, To take up Article 19.

The report of the Selectmen in reference to the laying out of the extension of Queen Street to Pleasant Street was read as follows:

"Queen Street Extension. Report to town of laying out such way. We, the Selectmen of Franklin, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows: Beginning at stake and stones on south side of Pleasant Street, 6 1-2 feet easterly from centre of capstone on culvert under said Pleasant Street; thence running south 2 ° east on land of Mrs. Sandford T. Capron and Mrs. Anne M. Atwood six rods and three links to land of the heirs of Jeremiah Claflin; thence over land of said heirs, fourteen rods twelve links, in same course, to

intersection of Queen Street. Said town way to be forty feet wide, and said line above described to be westerly boundary of said town way. And we have agreed with the heirs of Jeremiah Claflin to pass over their land without payment of any damage, and have awarded seventy-five dollars each to Mrs. Sandford T. Capron and Mrs. Anne M. Atwood as damage for the taking of their land for said town way, and we have granted said parties sixty days to remove any trees, fences, or other property, situated on said location."

DANIEL C. COTTON,
JAMES M. FREEMAN,
WILLIAM F. RAY,
Selectmen of Franklin.

Dated at Franklin, Jan. 29, 1887.

Art. 19. Voted, That the report be accepted.

Voted, To adjourn to Monday, March 14, A. D., 1887, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

A true record. Attest:

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING.

March 14, 1887.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, William F. Ray.

Voted, To reconsider the vote passed under Article 7, whereby the town voted to authorize the Selectmen to hire a road master for the year ensuing, said master to hire his own help.

Voted, To lay the above motion on the table.

Voted, To elect three (3) field drivers.

The remaining town officers chosen were as follows:

James M. Freeman, Henry Earle, Lewis R. Whitaker, Field Drivers.

George B. Peck, Poundkeeper.

Voted, That the Selectmen appoint the remaining Town Officers.

Art. 5. Voted, under Article 5, to appropriate five thou-

sand dollars ($5,000) for roads, bridges and sidewalks, five hundred dollars ($500) of which may be expended upon the completion of Queen Street, if necessary, under the direction of the Selectmen.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Voted, To grant and appropriate for the following named purposes the following sums of money, namely:

Support of Schools, seventy-eight hundred dollars,	$7,800 00
Repairs of Schoolhouses, five hundred dollars,	500 00
Miscellaneous School Expenses, six hundred dollars,	600 00
Purchase of School Books and School Supplies, six hundred and fifty dollars,	650 00
Support of Poor, three thousand dollars,	3,000 00
Repairs of Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks, five thousand dollars,	5,000 00
Support of Fire Department, two thousand dollars,	2,000 00
Purchase of Hose, three hundred dollars,	300 00
Water Supply of Hydrants, twenty-seven hundred dollars,	2,700 00
Payment of Town Officers, fifteen hundred dollars,	1,500 00
Interest Account, six hundred dollars,	600 00
Abatement and Collection of Taxes, five hundred dollars,	500 00
Lighting Streets, seven hundred dollars,	700 00
Franklin Library Association, three hundred dollars,	300 00
Printing and Stationery, two hundred and fifty dollars,	250 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, two thousand dollars,	2,000 00
Soldiers' Aid, four hundred dollars,	400 00
The following named sums were also voted under Articles 10, 17, 18, 21 and 25:	
G. A. R. Post, No. 60, one hundred dollars,	100 00
Tree planting, fifty dollars,	50 00
Police Department, six hundred,	600 00
Improvement of Common, one hundred and fifty dollars,	150 00
Suppression of Liquor Traffic, one dollar,	1 00

Also, as suggested by reports, as follows:

Painting Engine Houses, one hundred dollars,	$100 00
Arlington Street Schoolhouse, four hundred dollars,	400 00
Total,	$30,201 00

LIGHTING STREETS.

Voted, To appoint a committee of three to inquire into the matter of lighting our streets by electricity, and that the Selectmen be instructed to make only temporary arrangements for lighting of streets under present system.

The following was the committee appointed: Asa A. Fletcher, Amos P. Woodward, Davis Thayer, Jr., street light committee.

Voted, That two thousand dollars be raised and appropriated for miscellaneous expenses, one thousand dollars of which may be expended to enforce the liquor laws.

Moved and seconded, That the above vote be reconsidered; the motion was decided in the negative.

COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Art. 6. Voted, To collect the taxes in the same way and manner as last year.

ROADS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS.

Voted, To take from the table the motion: "To reconsider the vote passed under Article 7 whereby the town voted to authorize the Selectmen to hire a roadmaster for the year ensuing, said master to his own help."

Voted, To reconsider the motion as taken from the table.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to hire a roadmaster, he to his own help at $1.75 per day of ten hours, and that the Selectmen be authorized to hold the roadmaster within the appropriations for the current year.

POUND.

Art. 8. Voted, That the town farm be the pound.

GUIDE BOARDS.

Art. 9. The Selectmen made a verbal report relative to the

guide boards, to the effect that some were up all right, while many were down.

Voted, To accept the report.

CATTLE, HORSES, MULES AND SWINE.

Art. 11. Voted, To restrain neat cattle, horses, mules and swine from running at large the year ensuing.

PAY OF MEMBERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Art. 12. Voted, That the compensation of the Engineers of the Fire Department and members of Fire, Hose, and Hook and Ladder Companies for the current year be the same as last year.

ENGINEERS' REPORT.

Art. 13. Voted, To accept the report of the Engineers of the Fire Department as contained in the town report for the present year.

JURORS CHOSEN.

Art. 14. Voted, That the following list of names be placed in the jury box for the present year:

Arnold, Nathan B.
Badger, Charles.
Buckley, William F.
Bright, Warren H.
Bourne, Samuel C.
Baker, J. Herbert.
Blake, Charles H.
Cleary, Michael.
Cunningham, John G.
Clark, William S.
Corbin, Daniel O.
Corson, David W.
Fisher, Walter M.
Ford, James H.
Greenwood, George H.
Howe, William H.
Heywood, George W.
Hosie, George S.
Mason, George P.
McCarthy, Jeremiah.
Morse, Horace S.
Morse, Aaron R.
Nason, William E.
O'Riley, James.
Peck, Henry C.
Pond, Eliab M.
Partridge, George I.
Rockwood, Edmund J.
Reed, Samuel Y.
Rockwood, John.
Rockwood, William.
Stanley, Osmyn A.
Smith, Calvin M.
Sommers, Rudolph.
Thayer, Alexander.
Tobey, James J.

Hawkes, James R. Wadsworth, Joseph H.
Kingsbury, George A. Woodward, Amos P.

BORROWING MONEY.

Art. 16. Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

TREE PLANTING.

Art. 17. Voted, That the sum of fifty dollars be appropriated for tree planting.

POLICE FORCE.

Art. 18. Voted, To appropriate six hundred dollars ($600) for the police force, and that one policeman be employed.

TOWN HOUSE.

Art. 20. Voted, That a committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the subject matter of Article 20, and report at some future meeting.

The following were chosen to compose said committee: Asa A. Fletcher, Davis Thayer, Jr., Homer V. Snow, Joseph G. Ray, William E. Nason, Town House Committee.

IMPROVEMENT OF COMMON.

Art. 21. Voted, That the town grant, to be expended under the direction of the Franklin Improvement Society, for reseeding and fertilizing the Common at the north end of the village, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150), and the crops of grass for the three years next after said reseeding.

CENTRAL STREET DRAINAGE.

Art. 22. Voted, Not to grant any money for the purpose suggested in Article 22.

PAINTING ENGINE HOUSES.

Voted, To appropriate one hundred dollars ($100) with which to paint the engine houses.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Art. 23. The report of the committee on increased efficien-

cy of our water supply was read by the chairman, Homer V. Snow.

Voted, To accept the report.

The report is filed with other town papers.

Voted, That the recommendations of the committee be adopted and that the same committee be authorized to make a contract with Mr. Norman embodying the recommendations contained in the report.

ARLINGTON STREET SCHOOLHOUSE.

The report of the committee appointed to build this schoolhouse made a report through the chairman, Henry R. Jenks.

Voted, To accept the report.

The report is filed with other town papers.

Voted, To raise four hundred dollars ($400) as recommended by the committee.

Voted, To dismiss the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

To Lewis R. Whitaker, or either of the Constables of Franklin, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters in the town of Franklin, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Franklin, on Saturday, July ninth, at three o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To hear a report of the Committee chosen by the town "to investigate and inquire into the matter of lighting our streets by electricity," and act thereon and make an approriation for the same if deemed best.

Art. 3. To choose by ballot a Town Treasurer, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James M. Freeman.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, as required by Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of Franklin.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Franklin, this twenty-ninth day of June, A. D., 1887.

DANIEL C. COTTON,
HENRY R. JENKS,
WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
Selectmen of Franklin.

NORFOLK, ss. July 1st, A. D., 1887.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their Town Hall, on Saturday, the ninth day of July, 1887, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices of the town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Sec. Two of Art. One of the By-Laws of the town of Franklin.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,
Constable of Franklin.

A true copy of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,

JULY 9, 1887.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the legal voters of the town of Franklin met in their Town Hall and proceeded as follows, to wit:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk and the warrant read.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. William F. Ray was then chosen Moderator of the meeting, by ballot, the check list being used.

Voted, That we pass over Article 2 and take up Article 3.

TREASURER.

Art. 3. Henry R. Jenks was then chosen Town Treasurer, by ballot, the check list being used.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Art. 2 was then taken up.

Asa A. Fletcher read the report of the committee.

Voted, That the report be accepted.

Report and proposition placed on file.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to contract with H. W. Burgett for 20 or 25 electric lights, as in their judgment seems best, at a price not to exceed 32 cents per lamp per night, as per proposition of said Burgett, the contract not to extend beyond April 1, 1888.

All the articles of the warrant having been acted upon the meeting was dissolved.

A true record. Attest:

CLARENCE E. GRIFFIN,
Town Clerk.